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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**Applicant(s):** Qian Lin et al. **Confirmation** 8971  
**U.S. Serial No.:** 09/854,580 **Examiner:** Yubin Hung  
**Filed:** May 15, 2001 **Group Art** 2625  
**For:** IMAGE ENHANCEMENT USING FACE DETECTION

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Final Official Action mailed on December 23, 2005, and prior to examination of the above-identified application, kindly amend the application identified above as follows. In the following, underlines indicate insertions and strikethroughs and double brackets indicate deletions.